

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace each indicated paragraph with its following, respective rewritten paragraph:

Paragraph [37] bridging pages 6 and 7.

[37] The absorbent body has a peripheral edge 56. Additionally, the article 22 can have a first, garment-facing side 58 (e.g. FIG. 7A). Additionally, the article has a second, bodyside 60 that is located opposite the garment-side 58. Tabs or side-panels, generally designated by ~~[[54]]~~ 67, may be incorporated, and an individual side-panel can be configured to extend laterally from each lateral edge of the absorbent body 40 for wrapping around the crotch of the user's underwear (not shown) to protect it from staining. The tabs may also be referred to as "wings". As illustrated in FIG. 7A, each side-panel ~~[[54]]~~ 67 may include a tab fastener, such as provided by the representatively shown adhesive strip 66 or other adhesive region, for attaching either or both side-panels in a conventional manner to an outside surface of a crotch section of the user's underwear to hold the side-panels ~~[[54]]~~ 67 of the napkin article 22 in place around the underwear during use. The adhesive strips 66 may be covered with a removable peel strip member 68 to prevent the adhesive strips from sticking to other surfaces until ready for use.

Paragraph [43] bridging pages 8 and 9.

[43] An optional arrangement can include a data layer which is provided by a layer of the material employed to form the tabs or side flap "wings" ~~[[54]]~~ 67. In a particular aspect, the tabs can have a storage position in which at least one, and desirably both, of the tabs ~~[[54]]~~ 67 are positioned against the outward-facing, garment-side surface of the backsheet layer 38. Additionally, the desired data indicia 44 can be located on a surface of the tab ~~[[54]]~~ 67 in a manner that allows the data indicia to be at least partially visible to the user when the tab is in its storage position and the fresh, unused article is presented to the user from said opening mechanism. For example, either or both of the wing tabs ~~[[54]]~~ 67 may be folded and positioned generally adjacent and against the outward garment-facing surface of the backsheet layer 38 to provide the desired storage position. The data indicia can then be located on a surface of the tab that is outwardly-facing when the tab is in its storage position. From its storage position, the tab with the data indicia is intended to be moved or otherwise repositioned prior to using the article, to enable full functionality of the article. In particular, the tabs can be moved and extended to laterally outboard positions to

allow a positioning and securing of the tabs around the lateral side edges of the crotch region of the user's undergarment. Thus, the article can be located and operatively reconfigured in the undergarment prior to using the article, and the reconfigured article will allow a desired, full functionality.